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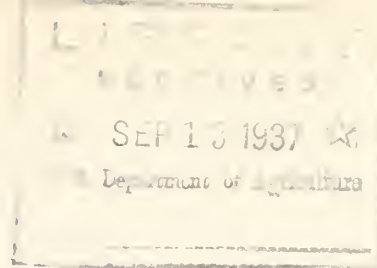
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
Agricultural Adjustment Administration



INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO PROPOSED POTATO GOAL  
Under the 1938 Agricultural Conservation Program

1. The goals would be established only on farms in counties designated as commercial potato-producing counties.
2. Within designated counties, goals would be established only on farms on which there is normally harvested three acres or more of potatoes.
3. Within designated counties, goals would also be established for other farms on which more than three acres of potatoes are harvested on the farm in 1938.
4. The Agricultural Adjustment Administration would estimate the total number of acres of potatoes which would produce, at average yields, an adequate quantity of potatoes for consumption during the 1938 marketing year. This would include, (1) the number of acres of potatoes normally harvested in counties not designated as commercial potato-producing counties; (2) the number of acres of potatoes harvested within designated counties by producers harvesting less than three acres of potatoes; and (3) the commercial potato acreage goal.
5. An estimate would be made of the proportion of the commercial potato acreage goal for the United States to be allocated to each State in which there are located designated counties. This State goal would then be allocated to the respective designated counties.
6. State and county average yields for commercial potato farms would be established.
7. The county committee in each designated county would recommend a potato acreage goal and an average per acre yield of potatoes for each farm which normally plants three acres or more of potatoes in the county. The goal should be the average acreage of potatoes planted on the farm in 1936 and 1937 adjusted to abnormal weather and other conditions and so that the sum of all such farm goals in the county does not exceed the commercial potato acreage goal for the county. The average per acre yield should be the average per acre yield for the farm in 1936 and 1937 adjusted for abnormal weather and other conditions and so that the weighted average yield for all such farms in the county does not exceed the county average yield.
8. The rates of payment would be established in a manner similar to that used in establishing rates for cotton, corn, tobacco, rice, peanuts, and other crops for which special goals may be set up.
9. A deduction would be made from any payment otherwise due under the Agricultural Conservation Program for each acre or fraction thereof by which the harvested acreage of potatoes in 1938 exceeds the goal.
10. On participating farms on which potatoes are grown not in designated counties for which potato goals are established, a general soil-depleting goal will be established. Deductions will be made if the total acreage of depleting crops on these farms exceeds the general soil-depleting goals established for them.

